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Comment: The following letter addressed to the Executive Committee of the PPR (Polish Workers Party) was signed "centralny komitet wykonawczy niesamoznej partii socjalistycznej." It caused great consternation when received at the PPR executive headquarters, where its origin was attributed to a secret cell of the Executive Committee of the PPS (Polish Socialist Party).

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"The present situation in which one workers' party oppresses the other, and in which one party as the agent of the Soviet Union disregards the wishes and interests of the nation as a whole, cannot go on forever. It is also impossible to permit this situation to endure simply because one of the parties is a power of Communist doctrines and the executive body for secret directives of the Soviet Government.

"Cooperation with the PPR is of imperative importance to the PPS, but co-operation with other political parties, even those in the opposition, is equally important. Leadership in both the PPR and the PPS has been imposed from outside. We do not want to believe that all the members of the PPR are enemies of the Polish nation; they are being pushed on this suicidal road by the imposed leaders of the PPR and the PPS, and others who have opened the gates of Poland to Communism and Soviet penetration. That circumstances have reached such a point is proven by the fact that the fight against organizations and parties representing Polish interests coincided with the first advance of Soviet forces into Poland. The extermination of the generally well-loved and unyielding fighters against Hitlerism, the AK (Home Army), was the first evidence of that struggle which continues on the same premises and is constantly on the increase. It is apparent that the PKO (Polish Committee of Liberation) and then the Provisional Government were created under pressure as part of the international game of the Soviet Union with neither the knowledge nor the consent of the nation. The procedure was the same as in other countries in the path of bolshevik imperialism.

"Free elections have not yet been held, as the referendum and elections were a swindle conducted with complete disregard of the will of the nation. For Poland, this is an unprecedented system of government.

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"It is not surprising that the rule of the PPR is continuing while the warmest Polish patriots are being persecuted. The PPR is taking over all sections of the national life, both political and administrative, with the exclusion of all other parties. This may be done openly or secretly, but always systematically and thus more and more dangerously. The nation is only slowly becoming oriented to such a scramble. Even the first man in the nation, the president, was once one of the chief aces of the Komintern and is an homme de confiance of the PPR / Military Internal Security Corps/.

"Exactly the same can be said for the rest of the men in the government, parliament, the army, the militia, the secret police, the provinces, the administration of the State and the economic life of the country.

"It is also well known that the head agents of the party bloc, and especially of our own party, are masked Communists calling themselves democrats or other such names, or they are tools of the PPR serving that party for money, position, or out of fear.

"These people openly demonstrate their Soviet sympathies in spite of the hatred of a nation which knows that Soviet friendship has been paid for by the deportation of millions of its citizens into the Russian interior, by the murder and deportation of tens of thousands of its most generous leaders, sons and daughters of the Polish nation.

"Under the leadership and direction of Russia a democratic Polish republic is being created as a fake, dependent on the Kremlin, with the objective, after the suppression of those elements opposed to the present government, of uniting Poland with Russia. Agents of the Kremlin operate principally within the PPR; they are loyal to their bosses in whose complete confidence they are prosecuting a systematic and determined fight against the Polish nation, never failing to suppress any 'signs of rebellion and rebirth.'

"The Central Committee of the Independent Socialist Party in contrast to the PPR and its leaders, represents a national and sovereign trend in opposition to the Communist program. It wishes further to carry its ideology to the people through a thorough examination of their consciences. It does not hide London's mistakes, but is not pleased with Moscow's results. Orientation towards Moscow or London is of no importance. Warsaw is and has been the only orientation, the symbol of suffering, of resistance, and unbending leadership in the service of honor, freedom, and independence. We are fighting for the country's independence; we demand freedom for the individual; we are fighting anarchy; we are fighting and condemning secret methods of government and subversion which are leading the nation to destruction. To us, the NSZ / National Armed Forces/ who left nothing positive behind them, are not the ideal, but neither is the PPR, today's Targowica, which has surrendered to Moscow.

"First the nation cursed the NSZ calling them agents of Hitler; today it curses the PPR and the whole "democratic camp" as Moscow's henchmen. We are upholding Polish tradition; we are calling the nation to a revival which will begin with the fight against Communism. Our aim is to reawaken the democratic principles of Poland, based on the political structure, the strength of the country, the disposition of the people, and the adaptation of proper methods to make Poland a country of freedom and progress. Any other conception will have neither any value nor any direction. Our position will not be very convenient for the PPR. The PPR is our merciless enemy because we do not recognize its leadership of the nation and of the working class. We shall not allow them their comfortable armchairs of authority conquered by force and trickery. We shall not allow them to claim the laurels of the struggle for independence, since it has done less than anyone else for that goal. The PPR wants to deceive the world with figures and statistics on all aspects of our national life; its official declarations are in deep conflict with reality and are only played for effect. The grey life and difficult fate of the working masses is a negation of 'the formation of a favorable situation in both the political and economic sectors.' The PPR, if it continues to follow this policy, will destroy agriculture, industry, and commerce, and will arrest the life of the nation. The PPR has led Poland on a road of political, social, and

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economic experiment which will end in catastrophe, an outcome which even now is being discussed quietly in PPR circles.

"The PPR has chosen Soviet Russia as its model and wants to enforce the Soviet system in Poland despite the interests of the nation. For the last two years Poland has been drowning in a useless ocean of reports, ideas, and conferences. The efforts and labors directed at breaking the nation's back are equally useless. The PPR has reached its climax in this country just as Soviet Russia has done in the international arena. Both are now slowly sinking and one big stroke which will precipitate their fall through internal and external pressure is our heartiest wish for the nation, for ourselves, and for them."

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